NOTICE OF MEETING LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2009, AT 8:00 A.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE COMMISSION ON THE 7TH FLOOR OF CITY HALL, 333 WEST OCEAN BOULEVARD, LONG BEACH.

AGENDA

- 1. **MINUTES** Regular Meeting of October 28, 2009
- 2. REQUEST FOR SELECTIVE CERTIFICATION Recreation Assistant
 - a. Communication from Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine
 - b. Staff report prepared by Deborah McCluster, Personnel Analyst
- 3. PROTEST OF COMPUTER SKILLS EXAMINATION Control Center Operator
 - a. Communication from Gwendolyn Wright
 - b. Staff report prepared by Rob Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst
- 4. **PROTEST OF COMPUTER SKILLS EXAMINATION** Control Center Operator
 - a. Communication from Robert Miller
 - b. Staff report prepared by Rob Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst
- 5. **REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN EXAMINATION PROCESS** Assistant Administrative Analyst
 - a. Communication from Monte Beard Sr.
 - b. Staff report prepared by Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst
- 6. **BULLETINS**

Control Center Operator
Principal Construction Inspector

7. EXAMINATION RESULTS

Ambulance Operator Civil Engineering Associate Geographic Information Systems Analyst

8. EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS (6 months)

Capital Projects Coordinator
Civil Engineering Assistant (11/12/08, 05/20/09)
Clerk Typist
Geographic Information Systems Technician (05/13/09, 05/27/09)
Office Automation Analyst
Office Systems Analyst
Refuse Operator (1 month)

9. **TRANSFER** – Geraldine Alejo/Administrative Analyst III/Financial Management to Administrative Analyst III/Community Development

- 10. CANCELLATION OF CSC MEETING OF NOVEMBER 25, 2009, DUE TO LACK OF A QUORUM
- 11. MANAGERS' REPORT
- 12. **NEW BUSINESS**
- 13. **COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC** The Civil Service Commission will hear from members of the public on matters within the Commission's jurisdiction.

NO HEARING

THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN AN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT BY REQUEST TO CIVIL SERVICE AT (562) 570-6059.

"THE CITY OF LONG BEACH INTENDS TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990. IF A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION IS DESIRED, PLEASE CALL CIVIL SERVICE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE EVENT/PROGRAM/SERVICE AT (562) 570-6059".

LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MARY ISLAS, PRESIDENT October 28, 2009

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 28, 2009, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary Islas, F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu.

Douglas Haubert

MEMBER EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary

Melinda George, Deputy Director Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst Mary Eme, Personnel Analyst, Human

Resources

President Mary Islas presided.

MINUTES:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 21, 2009, be approved as amended. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

PROTEST OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION ITEMS:

AMBULANCE OPERATOR

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Rob Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst regarding the protested question from the Ambulance Operator examination, which was administered on October 17 & 21, 2009. Mr.

Pfingsthorn briefed the Commission regarding this protest. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise. seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried to approve the recommended disposition of the protested item. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

BULLETIN:

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST ASSISTANT

It was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject Job Opportunity Bulletin be approved. The motion carried by a

unanimous roll call vote.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

AMBULANCE OPERATOR

The Secretary requested that this item be held over for one week. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried to hold this item over for one week. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Geologist

Park Ranger (11/05/08)

Police Recruit

Public Health Nutritionist (11/05/08, 11/19/08, 05/27/09)

Special Services Officer

Water Treatment Operator (05/06/09, 05/20/09)

RETIREMENT:

JAMES WATSON JR./BATTALION CHIEF/FIRE DEPARTMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject retirement be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

The Secretary commended Mr. Watson for his outstanding service to the City.

President Islas presented a Certificate of Appreciation to James Watson Jr., Battalion Chief, Long Beach Fire Department, in recognition of 30 years of dedicated service to the City and citizens of Long Beach. Mike Garcia, Deputy Chief from his department was present and spoke on his behalf.

RESIGNATIONS:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the following resignations be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Frederick Herman/Public Health Physician/Health &

Human Services

Shayne Skove/Firefighter/Fire Department

Cynthia Toyoshima/Microbiologist III/Health & Human

Services

TRANSFER: <u>MOONJOO WON/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</u>

ANALYST III/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANALYST

III/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Karatsu and carried that the subject transfer between departments be approved. The motion carried by

a unanimous roll call vote.

MANAGERS' REPORT: Melinda George, Deputy Director, informed the

Commission that most of staff was attending a mandatory Sexual Harassment Training this morning. She presented Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst, with his 15-year service pen. She also thanked Sal and staff for completing the bilingual assessments for the Customer Service

the bilingual assessments for the Customer Service Representative and Recreation Assistant examinations.

The Secretary informed the Commission that Diane Dzodin, Administrative Officer, was attending an

Emergency Preparedness Training, as the department's

representative.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC: Stacey Lewis, Assistant Director of Human Resources,

Harbor Department, thanked Battalion Chief James Watson for the excellent job he did in providing service to

the City & citizens of Long Beach.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Commission,

President Islas adjourned the meeting.

MARIO R. BEAS

Secretary

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CITY OF LONG BEACH Agenda Item No.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

2760 N. Studebaker Road, Long Beach, CA 90815-1697 (562) 570-3100 • FAX (562) 570-3109

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November 4, 2009

Civil Service Commission 333 West Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, CA 90802 7 3

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS:

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine is requesting your approval for Selective Certification. Requisition 09-29 has been submitted to fill a Recreation Assistant position in the Department's Aquatics Program. In addition to the minimum qualifications, this position requires an individual that is experienced in the various aquatics programs and services provided to the public. Due to the unique nature of this position, it is not practical to place a Recreation Assistant in this aquatics position without the additional skills and abilities.

This request is in accordance with Section 28 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Please feel free to contact Kenneth Campbell at 8-3188 if you or your staff have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Phil T. Hester,

Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine

PTH:KC

CC:

Sherri Nixon-Joiner, Manager - Community Recreation Services

DATE:

November 4, 2009

||TO:

Civil Service Commission

FROM:

Deborah W. McCluster, Personnel Analyst

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR SELECTIVE CERTIFICATION – RECREATION ASSISTANT

Correspondence has bee

Correspondence has been received from Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Marine requesting Civil Service Commission authorization for the selective certification of Recreation Assistant candidates who possess aquatic skills and abilities. Staff has reviewed this request and recommends Commission approval in accordance with Article IV, Section 28 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

Facts for Consideration:

- Requisition #09-29 for one Recreation Assistant vacancy in the Community
 Recreation Services Bureau of the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Maine has been received and is on file in the Civil Service Department.
- The classification of Recreation Assistant includes duties related to general recreation programs as well as specialized programs such as the aquatics program. Due to the unique nature of this particular position, it is not feasible to place a Recreation Assistant in this position who does not possess Instructor certifications in Lifeguarding, Title 22 First Aid for Public Safety Personnel, and U.S. Merchant Marine Officer License for Sailing Aquatic Programs.
- Department of Parks, Recreation, and Marine to fill the vacancy with individuals who possess the necessary aquatic experience, and certifications to fill the position, thereby enabling the Department to continue meeting the needs of the City's Community Recreation Programs.

TO: CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Agenda Item No.

RE: JOB CODE NAN-#025, COMMAND CENTER OPERATOR

GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS GWENDOLYN WRIGHT,I AM CURRENTLY HOLDING A PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT FOR THE COMMAND CENTER OPERATOR POSITION,AND I AM DOING VERY WELL,I HAVE BEEN TRAINED FOR 10-MONTHS ON ALL THE DIFFERENT SYSTEMS. SUCH AS THE VTS VESSEL TRACKING SYSTEM, SKYLINE PIMS MESSAGE SYSTEM ,LENAIR CARD READER SYSTEM,NEXTIVA CAMERA MONITORING SYSTEM AND 911 DISPATCH TRAINING SCHOOL WITH FULL SUCCESS. THE PORT OF LONG BEACH HAS SPENT A LOT OF MONEY ON ME AND THESE TRAINING OBJECTIVES.

I DON'T FEEL THE TEST THAT WAS GIVEN ALLOWED ME TO DEMONSTRATE MY ABILITIES AS WELL AS I COULD HAVE ,DUE TO THE STRUCTURE OF THE TEST. FOLLOWING THE TEST PROMPTERS ADVICE TO SKIP QUESTIONS, AND NOT EXPLANING THAT I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FIX THOSE ANSWERS LATER

WITH AN HOUR LEFT ON THE CLOCK FOR THE TESTING PROCESS THAT I COULD HAVE USED TO REVIEW MY ANSWERS, AND NOT BEING ABLE TO, I FEEL I WAS COERCED, MANIPULATED, CHEATED AND DEFEATED IN PURSUING MY GOALS OF BECOMING A COMMAND CENTER OPERATOR FOR THE PORT OF LONG EACH. I HAVE BEEN IN THIS POSITION FOR MONTHS, AND I DON'T FEEL GOOD ABOUT THIS TEST AND THE WAY THAT IT WAS ADMINISTERED I FEEL THAT THERE WERE TOO MANY LOOPHOLES NOT ADDRESSED, AND I AM ASKING FOR SOME KIND OF RESOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM

GWENDOLYN WRIGHT

PORT OF LONG BEACH HARBOR PATROL

(562) 590-4185

CELL (562) 719-6918

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TO:

Civil Service Commission

FROM:

Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst

SUBJECT:

PROTEST OF EXAMINATION, CONTROL CENTER OPERATOR COMPUTER SKILLS EXAMINATION – GWENDOLYN WRIGHT

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Operator examination and did not qualify on the final phase, computer skills

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examination. As a result of a follow up telephone call with Ms. Wright, she is

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Facts for Consideration:

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2009. During this period a candidate could submit a written protest to the Executive

Director against the actual conduct of the examination. The Civil Service Department did not receive any communications from candidates during the protest period.

- On October 19, 2009, Staff mailed Ms. Wright a letter informing her that she did not receive a qualifying score on the computer skills test. On October 22, 2009, a letter to the Commission from Ms. Wright was received in the Civil Service Department.
- According to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Section 20 and Policy 1.71,
 Ms. Wright's letter falls outside of what may be considered a formal protest of an examination process based on Ms. Wright's letter not being received during the formal protest period.

Staff offers the following additional information regarding the Control Center Operator computer skills testing process:

- The computer skills test phase of the examination was conducted at the Harbor Department Administration Building computer lab between the dates of September 10 to September 28, 2009. The test is conducted on a personal computer using the CritiCall pre-employment testing software developed by Biddle Consulting Group, Inc.
- At the examination, written instructions were distributed to the candidates and then read aloud. In the instructions, candidates were informed that they will move through each of the test modules automatically without any prompting from the test proctor. After the instructions are read aloud, it is announced: "Are there any questions before we start?" After all questions are answered, the candidate clicks on the Begin Testing Session button to begin the test. Once the candidate has completed all of the assigned modules, the test is

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- Ms. Wright progressed through each of the sample tests and assigned modules from beginning to completion. The CritiCall testing program was completed correctly and the program was able to assign Ms. Wright a final score based on her performance.
- In her letter, Ms. Wright states that she was, " ... following the test prompters advice to skip questions, and not explaining that I would not be able to fix those answers later." Nowhere in the test instructions is the candidate advised to skip questions.
 - In response to not being able to go back to completed items, this is in fact, a correct function of the CritiCall testing program. As noted, candidates progress through each of the assigned modules. The first three modules are timed; the last three are not. Upon completing an item within the assigned module, the program moves the candidate onto the next item, and then, unto the next module when the current module is completed. Unlike a conventional, paper, written examination, where candidates have the ability to go back to review any desired item, within the allowed time constraint, the CritiCall testing program is designed to move candidates through the computerized test in an environment that simulates a public safety dispatching system. Going back to previously completed items and/or modules is simply not possible with the CritiCall testing program; nor is it the designed intent of the testing structure.

Recommendation:

It is unfortunate that Ms. Wright did not achieve a qualifying score on the computer skills test of the Control Center Operator examination; however, in light of the fact that,

1) Ms. Wright did not file a protest until after receiving her examination results, and

accordingly, 2) her appeal is outside of the prescribed protest period, and 3) there is no finding of misconduct or mismanagement of the computer skills testing process, Staff recommends denial of Ms. Wright's appeal for reasons 1), 2) and 3).

Ms. Wright has been contacted and advised that her appeal will be reviewed by the Civil Service Commission at today's regular meeting.

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PROTEST OF EXAMINATION (WRIGHT, CONTROL CENTER OPERATOR, 11-4-09).DOC



City of Long Beach Employment Opportunity

CONTROL CENTER OPERATOR

Job Number: 99

SALARY RANGE:

Grades I-III \$1,521.76 to \$

\$1,521.76 to \$2,401.84 Biweekly

\$3,308.00 to \$5,222.00 Monthly

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REQUIREMENTS TO FILE:

One-year of full-time (equivalent) paid experience involving technology-based security systems and customer service.

Ability to: communicate in English quickly, clearly and effectively using telephone, radio and computer-assisted dispatch systems, as well as in face-to-face communication; use a personal computer, including the knowledge of computer applications such as Microsoft Office or other related software; maintain detailed security system logs and records; prepare clear, accurate reports; understand and follow oral instructions and written policies, procedures and protocols.

Ability to: complete the Port Security Training Program within the first six months of probationary employment; pass a thorough background investigation and polygraph examination conducted by the Long Beach Police Department. The investigation will cover information regarding relatives, references, acquaintances, educational background, residential history, employment history, criminal history, military service records, financial status, legal history, drug use and related areas. Must be willing to work any shift assignment, holidays, weekends and overtime as required (Control Center Operators work an 8-hour shift.)

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EXAMINATION WEIGHTS:

Application and Supplemental Application	Qualifying
 Video-Based, Job Simulation Test 	60%
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and port of Long Beach. I was dismayed to find out that I failed the second part of the test, after passin the first part.

I feel that the test was patently unfair to me in two different ways.

- 1. I was unable to go back and check my answers. Once the answers were entered, they were locked in and unchangeable.
- 2. I wear hearing aids in both ears. The particular headphones that I was furnished for the test caused my hearing aids to continually squeal, and made it virtually impossible to hear what was being broadcast on the computer. In frustration, I finally removed my hearing aids to stop the squealing. That was partially successful. As you are aware, the test had three sections to it. When the second section started, the volume dropped significantly, causing me to guess at what have might been said. Just as a matter of interest, I do have a set of USB headphones on my home computer that should make it much easier to hear, without experiencing the squealing that I had to endure.

If possible, I would like the chance to retake the test using my personal headphones.

Thank You For Your Consideration

Robert Miller

Port of Long Beach Harbor Patrol

1249 Pier F Ave, Long Beach, CA 90802

(562) 590-4185 work phone

(949) 510-3611 cell phone

1 DATE:

November 4, 2009

TO:

Civil Service Commission

FROM:

Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst

SUBJECT:

PROTEST OF EXAMINATION, CONTROL CENTER OPERATOR

COMPUTER SKILLS EXAMINATION - ROBERT MILLER

The Civil Service Commission approved the results of the examination for Control Center Operator on October 7, 2009. On October 22, 2009, correspondence was received from Mr. Robert Miller, a current provisional Control Center Operator in the Harbor Department. Mr. Miller was a candidate in the recent Control Center Operator examination and did not qualify on the final phase, the computer skills examination. Mr. Miller is requesting a re-administration of his computer skills examination.

Facts for Consideration:

- The examination for Control Center Operator was recruited as an open-competitive opportunity to all individuals meeting the stated minimum qualifications. The examination process consisted of a video-based, job simulation test weighted 60%, and a computer skills test weighted 40%. Of the 410 that applied, seventy-seven candidates were placed on the eligible list. Eight candidates did not achieve a qualifying score on the computer skills test.
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Department did not receive any communications from candidates during the protest period.

- On October 19, 2009, Staff mailed Mr. Miller a letter informing him that he did not receive a qualifying score on the computer skills test. On October 22, 2009, a letter to the Commission from Mr. Miller was received in the Civil Service Department office; wherein he is requesting a re-administration of his computer skills test.
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- At the conclusion of his test, Mr. Miller informed Staff of an issue he experienced
 with his hearing aid. Staff noted his remark and thanked him for his attendance.
 Mr. Miller did not ask about re-testing or inquire about protesting his exam.
 - However, upon receiving his score, in his correspondence of October 22, 2009, Mr. Miller's contends that the headphones provided caused his hearing aids to "continually squeal". Staff was unaware of a technical issue that may have caused the condition that Mr. Miller claims and Mr. Miller did not bring this issue to Staff's attention at a time staff could have attempted to resolve any problem. All headphones used during the testing process were in good operational order. Mr. Miller's same workstation and headphones were also used in a testing session prior to his scheduled testing time that morning, and later that day. In the written and oral instructions to the candidates, candidates were allowed to acquaint themselves

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with their headset and adjust the positioning to their liking. The volume control switch on the cable of the headset was also demonstrated. Candidates were instructed to inform the proctor if they had any difficulty hearing the audio after the audio instructions were given for the first test. Candidates were instructed to not move on to the actual test until satisfied with the audio level. Mr. Miller did not inform staff of any issue until the entire exam was complete.

• Civil Service staff attempts to accommodate all requests for special accommodations, as noted on all job opportunity bulletins, including Control Center Operator. Although Mr. Miller did not request an accommodation within two-business days, staff is always willing to consider the need for an accommodation when requested. Had an accommodation request been made, Staff would have worked with Mr. Miller and Biddle Consulting Group, Inc., to evaluate the situation and provide a reasonable testing accommodation, if at all possible.

Recommendation:

It is unfortunate that Mr. Miller did not achieve a qualifying score on the computer skills test of the Control Center Operator examination; however, in light of the fact that, 1) Mr. Miller did not file a protest until after receiving his examination results, and accordingly, 2) his appeal is outside of the prescribed protest period, and 3) there is no finding of misconduct or mismanagement of the computer skills testing process, Staff recommends denial of Mr. Miller's appeal for reasons 1), 2) and 3).

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Assistant Administrative Analyst I-II for City Employees only

Application was rejected because I did not submit proof of my College degrees, with my on-line submission.

Hello, my name is Monte B. Beard, Sr., and I have been a City employee for 29 years. During this time of employment, I went back to school and have earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business & Management, graduating in August 2004. After receiving my degree, I had brought both degrees to Civil Service to be recorded as part of my permanent personnel record. applied on-line for the he Assistant Administrative Analyst in 2006, I did not need to supply proofs. When I applied on-line for Customer Service Supervisor I in 2007 - I did not need to supply proofs. A cursory review of my City file could substantiate any needed proof, as this exam was for City Employees only. However, in my case, it was not done. is a copy of my Human Resources Management System HR-2 form that lists my degrees. I would like to be included in this opportunity to take the Assistant Administrative Analyst I-II exam and further my career objectives.

Thank You for your consideration,

Monte B. Beard, Sr., 75 Bay Shore Avenue

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Attachment (1) Human Resources Management System HR-2 form

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SUBJECT:

November 4, 2009

TO: Civil Service Commission

FROM:

Caprice McDonald Personnel Analyst

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REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST EXAMINATION PROCESS - MONTE BEARD, SR.

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Correspondence has been received from Mr. Monte Beard, Sr. requesting the Civil Service Commission's approval to participate in the Assistant Administrative Analyst examination process. Mr. Beard was not accepted into the examination due to lack of proof of education being received by the filing deadline. The facts are presented below for your consideration.

Facts for Consideration:

As background, on September 30, 2009, the Civil Service Commission approved the job opportunity bulletin for Assistant Administrative Analyst (AAA). The opportunity was posted beginning October 2 through October 16, 2009 with all required proofs due October 21, 2009.

On October 16, 2009, 1:13 p.m., Mr. Beard applied on-line for the AAA examination. At that time, Mr. Beard received an automated confirmation that his application was accepted along with a reminder message: "Your application has been received and forwarded to our staff for review. Applications will not be processed until all required proofs are received. Any required proofs, such as certificates, diplomas, licenses, or transcripts, must be received in the Civil Service Department within 5 calendar days after the last day to obtain applications or by the specified date given on the specified job posting."

On October 27, 2009, candidates were notified by mail of their dispositions. Candidates were either notified of their scheduled test appointments or the reason their applications were not accepted. Mr. Beard was sent notification that his application was not accepted into the examination process due to insufficient proof of education.

On October 29, 2009, after receiving the notification, Mr. Beard came to the Civil Service Department stating that he had previously turned in his degree to the Civil Service Department to be included in his personnel file and thereby believed he had satisfied the proof requirement for the AAA exam. Mr. Beard also informed staff that he did not include documentation of his education with his AAA application in 2007 but was still accepted into that process. After a review of Mr. Beard's previous AAA application packet, it was found that Mr. Beard had, in fact, submitted transcripts with his completed 2007 application.

Civil Service staff is not responsible for reviewing applicants' personnel files for an open-competitive examination or for attaching any documentation to an applicant's record. It is the responsibility of applicants to ensure that their applications and supplemental applications, including any required proofs are complete and received in the Civil Service Department by the posted filing deadlines. If Mr. Beard had requested a copy of any previously submitted documentation, if available, it would have been provided to him. It is not unusual for applicants to request copies of documentation submitted with prior applications. For this current AAA process, several candidates contacted the Civil Service staff to obtain previously submitted documents.

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A total of 107 applications were filed and 39 were not accepted into the examination process. Of that number, in addition to Mr. Beard, there were a total of 7 applications that were not accepted due to insufficient proof of education, two (2) of which were submitted after the filing deadline.

The job opportunity bulletin clearly stated in bold print that "Applications will not be processed until all required proofs are received. Any required proofs, such as certificates, diplomas, licenses, or transcripts, must be received in the Civil Service Department by 11:59 p.m., October 21, 2009. Documents may be received in person, via email civilservice@longbeach.gov or fax to (562) 570-5293."

Both Article II, Section 6 (1) of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and Policy 1.05 of the Civil Service Commission Policies and Procedures, regarding late applications, clearly states that the Commission may refuse to examine, or after an examination may remove from any eligible list, disqualify, and/or refuse to certify any person who fails to submit a completed application and/or related supplemental documents to the Civil Service office on or before an examination announcement's established closing date.

In summary, although Mr. Beard does possess a bachelor's degree and had submitted this information with prior applications, he did not submit the required documentation for the current examination process. Therefore, staff recommends denial of this request. Mr. Beard has been informed that this request is on today's agenda. If the Commission approves this request, he can be accommodated at the written examination, scheduled for Thursday, November 5, 2009.



ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST

Job Number: 02

SALARY RANGE:

Grades I - II: \$1,477.44 to \$2,401.84 Biweekly \$3,212.00 to \$5,222.00 Monthly

Applications Available: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., October 2, 2009 through October 16, 2009. Completed applications and supplemental applications must be received in the Civil Service Department by 4:30 p.m., October 16, 2009. Postmarks will not be accepted. Online applications are encouraged.

REQUIREMENTS TO FILE: Open to current City of Long Beach Employees.

A Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university (proof required)*. Technical and professional experience (including experience as an Administrative Aide with the City of Long Beach) that offers specific and substantial preparation for the duties of the position may be substituted for the required education (proof required)* on a year-for-year basis.

Ability to: effectively communicate both orally and in writing; comprehend complex written information; research, organize and analyze data from a variety of sources; develop conclusions and make practicable recommendations based upon evaluation of facts; effectively work with others; exercise initiative to complete assigned tasks in a timely fashion; perform budgetary computations; plan and organize work effectively; and to apply the principles of mathematics.

Knowledge of: personal computers and applications such as Microsoft Office or other related software.

Overtime, weekend and/or holiday hours may be required for some positions. Positions in the Police Department require the ability to pass a thorough background investigation.

A valid motor vehicle operator's license may be required at time of appointment. If required, a current DMV driving record must be submitted to the hiring department at the time of selection interview.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS: Bilingual language skills (English/Spanish and/or English/Southeast Asian) are desirable for some positions.

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EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Under supervision, gathers data used in administrative, fiscal, or personnel activities and services; assists in the preparation and control of the annual budget; performs preliminary research, investigations, and studies; develops preliminary interpretations and makes recommendations for improvement in services delivery and the attainment of departmental goals; analyzes documents for compliance with rules, regulations and procedures; assists in the revision of administrative and personnel systems and procedures; communicates with individuals and organizations both within/outside the City; reviews statistical data; utilizes personal computers and prepares and presents oral and written reports; assists in the various aspects of contract administration; participates in personnel-related activities; performs other related duties as required.

EXAMINATION WEIGHTS:

Application and Supplemental Application	Qualifying
Written Examination	40%
Writing Skills Evaluation	20%
Appraisal Interview	40%
(The appraisal interview may include a job-relate exercise.)	ed simulation

A minimum rating of 70 must be attained in each part of the examination. Certification by score bands will be considered based on an analysis of test results. This examination will be conducted using the continuous examination procedure. The resulting eligible list will remain in effect for at least six months.

The written examination will be scheduled shortly after close of filing. If you have not received notification by October 30, 2009, contact the Civil Service Department at (562) 570-6202 or email at civilservice@longbeach.gov.

This information is available in an alternative format by request at (562) 570-6202. AAA/E03AN-10 J.O.B. 02-10 CM 9/30/09

Apply to: City of Long Beach Civil Service Commission 333 W. Ocean Blvd., 7th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802 Phone: (562) 570-6202

Apply online: www.longbeach.gov/civilservice
For recorded announcement of other jobs available,

Call (562) 570-6201
TDD (562) 570-6638 (for hearing impaired)
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If a special accommodation is desired, please contact the Civil Service Department two (2) business days prior to the test at (562) 570-6202.

CONTROL CENTER OPERATOR

Job Number: 12

SALARY RANGE:

Grades I-III \$1,521.76 to \$2,401.84 Biweekly \$3,308.00 to \$5,222.00 Monthly

Applications available: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., November 6, 2009 through November 20, 2009. Completed applications and supplemental applications must be received in the Civil Service Department by 4:30 p.m., November 20 2009. Postmarks will not be accepted. Online applications are encouraged.

REQUIREMENTS TO FILE:

One-year of full-time (equivalent) paid experience involving technology-based security systems and customer service.

Ability to: communicate in English quickly, clearly and effectively using telephone, radio and computer-assisted dispatch systems, as well as in face-to-face communication; use a personal computer, including the knowledge of computer applications such as Microsoft Office or other related software; maintain detailed security system logs and records; prepare clear, accurate reports; understand and follow oral instructions and written policies, procedures and protocols.

Ability to: complete the Port Security Training Program within the first six months of probationary employment; pass a thorough background investigation and polygraph examination conducted by the Long Beach Police Department. The investigation will cover information regarding relatives, references, acquaintances, educational background, residential history, employment history, criminal history, military service records, financial status, legal history, drug use and related areas. Must be willing to work any shift assignment, holidays, weekends and overtime as required (Control Center Operators work an 8-hour shift.)

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS: Knowledge of: computer applications related to security monitoring/control and data acquisitions systems; methods and operating procedures used in a nautical, air, or land based security system and/or command and control center; state and federal laws, port policies, regulations, rules and procedures regarding command and control center operations and port-wide security; 9-code and 10-code radio communication terminology. Work experience providing radio dispatch to public safety officials.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: (For a more detailed description of the classification specification for this position please visit the Job Opportunities page on our website at: www.longbeach.gov/civilservice, or call (562) 570-6202.)

Under general supervision, operates in the Harbor Department Security Command and Control Center; performs security system surveillance, detection and alarm system monitoring and radio dispatching for the Harbor Patrol; operates and monitors a computerized, integrated system of surveillance cameras, closed-circuit TVs, detection system. alarm systems, on-line data and tracking systems, and other systems of the domain awareness security infrastructure throughout the Port of Long Beach; monitors Port access control systems to maintain authorized access to secure areas by the public, employees or tenants of the Port; deploys emergency personnel to investigate and resolve incidents: responds to calls requesting Harbor Patrol services and dispatches field units through coded radio messages and a computer assisted dispatch system; logs and documents all calls requesting service/assistance, emergency response incidents, and general activity including radio transmissions: may act in a lead or supervisory capacity; may assist in training of other operators; performs other related duties as required.

EXAMINATION WEIGHTS:

- Computer Skills Test40%

A minimum rating of 70 must be attained in each part of the examination in order to pass. Certification by score bands will be considered based on an analysis of test results. This is a continuous examination. Applicants may take the exam only once during a four month period.

The video-based, job simulation test is tentatively scheduled for December 15-16, 2009. If you have not received notification of the disposition of your application by December 10, 2009, contact the Civil Service Department at (562) 570-6202 or by email at civilservice@longbeach.gov.

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PRINCIPAL CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR

Job Number: 08

SALARY RANGE: \$2,404.96 to \$3,270.40 Biweekly

\$5,229.00 to \$7,110.00 Monthly

Applications available: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., November 6, 2009 through November 20, 2009. Completed applications and supplemental application must be received in the Civil Service Department by 4:30 p.m., November 20, 2009. Postmarks will not be accepted. Online applications are encouraged.

REQUIREMENTS TO FILE: Open to current City employees who have served a total of four (4) or more years in the classification of Construction Inspector with the City of Long Beach, supervising the construction of and/or performing the inspection of major public works, port-related, or utility-related projects which required a good knowledge of contract administration and compliance.

Ability to supervise and monitor the work of Construction Inspectors, contractors and related personnel.

Ability to effectively communicate both orally and in writing.

Willingness to work weekends, holidays, and irregular hours as necessary.

Proof of a valid motor vehicle operator's license, including a current DMV driving record, is required at time of appointment and must be presented at the time of the selection interview.

Positions in the Gas and Oil Department also require five years of experience working with natural gas pipelines, Code of Federal Regulations Part 192 Operator Qualification and compliance with the Anti Drug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program as required by the Department of Transportation.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS: Registration as an ICBO certified Deputy Inspector with the City of Long Beach in the fields of pile driving, reinforced concrete, prestressed concrete, masonry, structural steel and/or welding; education from an accredited college or university with major coursework in construction technology, civil engineering or a closely-related field; computer skills in the areas of word processing, spreadsheet applications, and construction management software programs; State of California Water Distribution Operator certificate; California Water Environmental Association certificate; and certification as a Certified Pipeline Welding Inspector or equivalent.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Under direction, assists a Chief Construction Inspector, Division Engineer or Bureau Manager in the performance of his/her duties as a first-line supervisor of engineering construction activities in the City's public works or utilities programs; assigns, trains, supervises and evaluates subordinate personnel; assists with contract administration and compliance; approves final inspections and recommends acceptance of completed projects as having been constructed in accordance with plans, contracts and specifications; assists in the formulation and estimation of change orders; recommends that progress and final payments be made to contractors; assists in drafting specifications and expediting construction work; acts as a lead inspector or as liaison between field Construction Inspectors, contractors, and the Chief Construction Inspector, Division Engineer or Bureau Manager; assists with preparation of project budgets; ensures proper maintenance of such records as may be required by city policy and funding agencies; acts on behalf of the Chief Construction Inspector Division, Engineer or Bureau Manager: during his/her absence; may direct construction-related office engineering services; may oversee public works permit issuance; may review both City and private contractor plans relating to construction within the public right-of-way, may supervise CIP bidding processes; may assure compliance with federal Department of Transportation regulations as they apply to natural gas pipelines; and performs other related duties as required.

EXAMINATION WEIGHTS:

Application	Qualifying
Appraisal Interview	

Seniority Credit in accordance with Article III, Section 14 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, will be added to the final examination scores of those who qualify. For examination purposes, Seniority Credit will be based upon whole years of classified service completed by the close of filing.

The appraisal interview will be scheduled shortly after the close of filing. If you have not received notification by November 25, 2009 contact the Civil Service Department at (562) 570-6202 or by email at civilservice@longbeach.gov.

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